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SUBJECT: 34TH HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION: DRAFT US STATEMENT
ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS (ITEM 12)

DEPARTMENT REQUESTS SUBSTITUTION OF THE FOLLOWING
LANGUAGE IN PLACE OF PARAGRAPHS 15, 16 AND 17 OF THE
DRAFT TEXT OF THE US STATEMENT REFERRING TO HUMAN
RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN ARGENTINA:

- NEXT, HOW ARE WE GOING TO ANSWER THE RELATIVES OF
POLITICAL PRISONERS AND OF THOSE WHO HAVE MYSTERIOUSLY
VANISHED IN SOME COUNTRIES OF LATIN AMERICA? WE HAVE
PROVIDED A PARTIAL RESPONSE BY OUR CONSIDERATION OF
HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN URUGUAY AND PARAGUAY. BUT
THERE ARE OTHER INSTANCES WHICH MUST BE ADDRESSED.
WE WELCOME THE RELEASE OF SOME AMERICANS FROM CUBA,
BUT THAT COUNTRY STILL HOLDS LARGE NUMBERS OF POLITICAL
PRISONERS. WE WELCOME THE RECENT RELEASE OF PRISONERS
IN ARGENTINA AND THE PUBLICATION OF LISTS OF DETAINEES,
BUT THE HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES IN THAT COUNTRY CONTINUE.
LARGE NUMBERS REMAIN IMPRISONED WITHOUT TRIAL AND
THE TRAGIC DISAPPEARANCES HAVE CONTINUED AS EXEMPLIFIED
BY THE MASS ABDUCTION FROM A CHURCH IN BUENOS AIRES

OF MOTHERS OF WHOSE WHO HAVE DISAPPEARED, AND
SEVERAL NUNS IN DECEMBER.

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U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS
Margaret P. Crafield, Director
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